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SUBJECT: MANAGEMENT OF GABON'S FOREIGN DEBT

1. FRANK R. DAVIS, WHO STATED HE HAD RECENTLY RETIRED AS VICE PRESIDENT OF AMERICAN EXPRESS INTERNATIONAL BANKING CORPORATION, CALLED AT EMBASSY FEW DAYS AGO TO TELL US THAT HE WAS QTE IN PROCESS OF BEING DESIGNATED AS FINANCIAL ADVISER UNQTE TO GOG MINISTER OF FINANCE JEROME LKINDA FOR SPECIFIC PURPOSE OF MANAGING GABON'S DEBT. DAVIS CLAIMED TO HAVE BEEN RECOMMENDED FOR POSITION BY EUGENE IMBERT, WHOM DAVIS HAD KNOWN YEARS AGO AND WHO IS CONSTRUCTION ENGINEER BY PROFESSION AND ALSO TECHNICAL ADVISER TO PRESIDENT BONGO. DAVIS ALSO CALLED ON LOCAL CITIBANK REPRESENTATIVE, TO WHOM HE RELATED ESSENTIALLY SAME STORY.

2. IMBERT, WHO DID NOT COME TO EMBASSY, CALLED ON CITIBANK DIRECTOR. IMBERT TOLD CITIBANK THAT HE IS QTE KNOWN TO FRENCH ADMINISTRATION UNQTE AND THAT PORTION OF HIS SALARY WILL BE PAID BY FRENCH GOVERNMENT. IMBERT'S BUSINESS CARD STATES HE IS TECHNICAL ADVISER TO PRESIDENT BONGO FOR DEVELOPMENT INDUSTRIALIZATION, AND HE INDICATED HE

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IS ALSO ASSOCIATE WITH DOACO, LARGE LIBREVILLE CONSTRUCTION FIRM IN WHICH BONGO AND THREE GOG MINISTERS ARE PRINCIPAL SHAREHOLDERS. WE UNDERSTAND THAT IMBERT MAY PREVIOUSLY HAVE ACTED IN ADVISORY CAPACITY TO PRESIDENT OF TOGO.

3. ANY INFORMATION WHICH ADDRESSEES MAY BE ABLE TO

PROVIDE CONCERNING EITHER DAVIS OR IMBERT WOULD BE
APPRECIATED. STEIGMAN

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